

ATTORNEYS WAIT FOR MRS. HAMON

Father Expecting Daughter From Mexico, Denies He Can Locate Her

EL PASO, Tex., Dec. 22.—(By the Associated Press.)—Four hours before the scheduled arrival of the train bearing Sheriff Buck Garrett, of Ardmore, Okla., and two attorneys who were to arrest Mrs. Clara Barton Smith Hamon on a charge of having murdered Jake L. Hamon, Oklahoma millionaire, James L. Smith, the woman's father, denied all knowledge of her whereabouts.

FATHER BEMIDDERED.
"There are a lot of things about this case that I don't know," Smith told The Associated Press correspondent. "If I had known some of the things ten years ago I might have been able to prevent all this trouble—although I am not sure about that either."

"All that I know is what I have heard from my lawyers, and what I read in the papers. I have received telegrams informing me that Sheriff Garrett accompanied by W. P. McLean, of Fort Worth, and Charles Cookley, both of them lawyers, are on their way to El Paso and are due to arrive here this afternoon. My son, James B. Smith, is to communicate with me at what time the meeting is to take place. I don't know where James is, although I suppose he is with Clara. When I last received a telegram from him he was in Chihuahua City. That was two or three days ago."

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"What will happen after these men arrive here depends on what my daughter decides to do. I am sure, however, that she will go with Sheriff Garrett, and that he will protect her. 'Surrender' is not the word to use—Sheriff Garrett will protect her from the reporters and others who would hound her if her whereabouts were known."

Mr. Smith added that whether anyone else except himself, the Ardmore sheriff and the attorneys would meet Mrs. Hamon, would depend on Mrs. Hamon, or the lawyers.
"I have no right to make any arrangements about any one else seeing her without consulting her, although I intend to advise her to give an interview to The Associated Press, because I admire it for its accuracy and truthfulness. But, right now, I can make no promises, because I am not sure that I should be able to keep them," he said.

Mr. Smith denied any knowledge of the reported departure of Mrs. Hamon for Ardmore last night.

COAST RESORT SUFFERS IN FIRE

Amusement Pier at Venice Partially Burned With \$1,000,000 Loss

VENICE, Cal., Dec. 22.—Damage estimated at \$1,000,000 was caused by fire which burned for two hours on the amusement pier here Tuesday night before it was brought under control by the combined efforts of the Venice fire department and two companies from Los Angeles, just as it was threatening to destroy the city. A number were injured, one probably fatally.

The "ship cafe" known to thousands who have visited the beach here and a number of small amusement concessions had been consumed at 10:40 p. m., and had been asked of the fire department of Los Angeles, twelve miles away.

The fire started in the dance hall, 300 feet from the end of the pier. The police said the cause probably was an over-heated gas stove. The floor was crowded and a near panic followed cries of "fire."

At 11:40 p. m., the flames had swept to the land end of the pier and consumed several amusement attractions on the beach. The firemen then concentrated their efforts on keeping flames from leaping Windward avenue to the city proper, and ten minutes later had it under control. The damage was estimated at \$1,000,000.

CHINESE FAMINE SITUATION HELD EXTREMELY GRAVE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—State department reports today emphasized the extreme gravity of the famine situation in the Chinese provinces of Honan, Shantung and Chihli. Many inhabitants were said to be selling their household property for what they could get, while others not so well to do were subsisting on leaves, alfalfa and other forage crops.

It was estimated that 20,000,000 were affected and would need outside help for five or six months until the new crops come in. Committees have been organized in Peking for distribution of relief funds and it has been proposed to establish certain public works, which will give employment to the hungry refugees.

THIEF SNATCHES SATCHEL FROM BOY BANK MESSENGERS

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 22.—A thief snatched a satchel containing \$75,000 in checks and \$5,000 cash from two boy bank messengers today on a street crowded with thousands of Christmas shoppers, and escaped. The boys were Paul Sauer and Aubrey Collier, 18 and 19 years old.

A woman solicitor was asking the thief to subscribe to a newspaper when he sprang across the sidewalk, seized the satchel, flung the boys aside, and ran.

AIRMAN FORCED TO LAND AFTER 18-HOUR FLIGHT

MINNEOLA, N. Y., Dec. 22.—Lieutenant Ross C. Kirkpatrick, army flier who was forced down early today while attempting to break the world's record for continuous flight, will have another try at the record soon, he declared upon alighting from his four hundred horsepower army airplane.

Lieutenant Kirkpatrick landed at Mitchell field at 1:26 o'clock this morning owing to a gasoline leak, after being in the air a little more than 18 hours—about six hours short of the record.



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BOYLE'S EVERYTHING FOR THE HOME

BIG PENSION BILL, SOMEWHAT LOWER, IS BEFORE HOUSE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Caring fourteen million dollars less than was appropriated for this year, the annual pension bill was reported out today by the house appropriation committee. The total of the bill is \$265,500,000.

House leaders have agreed to consider the measure tomorrow with the expectation that it will be passed before adjournment for the Christmas recess.

L. A. LEGION POST OFFERS SERVICES TO CHECK CRIME

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 22.—Services of ten thousand members of the American Legion will be offered to this city as an auxiliary police force to check the unusual prevalence of crime, the interpost commission announced today.

Mayor Snyder and the commissioners said they would be glad to get the former soldiers' aid.

MISSOURI WOULD MAKE BURGLARY CAPITAL OFFENSE

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 22.—A bill to make bank robbery, highway robbery and burglary offenses punishable by death, will be introduced at the next session of the Missouri legislature, M. A. O'Donnell, representative-elect from Jackson county, announced today.

AMERICAN SHIPOWNERS WANT DRINK BAN LIFTED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—A delegation of leading New York ship operators, headed by P. A. S. Franklin, president of the International Mercantile Marine company, conferred today with acting Commissioner of Internal Revenue Meyer regarding the effect of prohibition on regulations on American shipping.

The shipping men were understood to have sought modification of the regulations forbidding liquor on American ships outside the three-mile limit. They also took up the question of the seizure of ships in American ports for violations of the prohibition laws.

TEXTILE MILL EMPLOYEES THREATEN COMPANY HEAD

LAWRENCE, Mass., Dec. 22.—The Lawrence central council of the Amalgamated Textile Workers last night drafted a letter to President William A. Wood, of the American Woolen company, attacking the company's policies.

The letter says that by running its mills on short time, the American Woolen company has cut wages from 25 to 50 per cent, accuses Mr. Wood of inefficiency, and adds: "Any more inefficiency will make it necessary for the workers to relieve you and your class of the control of the industry."

Priscilla Dean in "The Virgin of Stamboul" at the Lyceum today only. We show all the big ones for a DIME.

Wright's A GOOD PLACE TO TRADE Men's Shop

A Happy Christmas Story For All Men Of Ogden



How many of you have been wanting clothes for Christmas, but have been waiting? How many of you have been expecting lower prices after Christmas? You will be glad to know that the clothes here mentioned--bought on the lowest market of four years--are as low priced today as they will be ANY TIME NEXT YEAR in this store or elsewhere.

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--at \$35 Clothes—suits and overcoats for men and young men. "Swagger" styles or conservative models. Splendid all-wool fabrics. Suits made to sell to \$60.

--at \$45 Suits and overcoats for men. The handsomest clothes made anywhere in America this year. Many garments made to sell to \$90. Don't miss seeing this lot.

A Big Sale Of Men's Shoes

Our great Downstairs store has suddenly jumped into popularity with the men of Ogden. Men are learning that they can save much by walking downstairs to this great shoe store. Read these savings:

-at \$5⁹⁵ Here are work shoes and dress shoes. Leathers are black or tan. An assortment of styles including the dressy English last. Shoes in this lot are worth to double this price.

-at \$7⁹⁵ In this assortment will be offered the famous Edmonds Foot-fitter (shown in the sketch). These shoes are wonderful values at their old selling price of \$11. Now you buy them for \$7.95.

-at \$9⁹⁵ Here you may have choice of such good shoes as Edwin Clapp. Men who know shoes will tell you there are none better. Black and brown leathers; an assortment of toe styles. There is a savings of \$5 on any shoe in this lot.

Store Open Tomorrow Night

Parents-Teachers Meet at Mound Fort

The auditorium of the Mound Fort school was crowded last night at the exercises presented under the auspices of the Parents-Teachers' association. The program consisted of a song by little Bobbie Blakey, a choral number by sixth grade pupils and the presentation of a pageant by junior high pupils. Following the program the exhibit and the display of toys, made by pupils, was thrown open.

Sports Promoter Held On Bad Check Charge

Ryron C. Jensen, of Los Angeles, who said he was a wrestling promoter, was arrested yesterday afternoon at 2840 Child's avenue on a charge of passing worthless checks. He is at the city jail and is expected to appear for trial tomorrow morning.

Jensen is alleged to have passed checks in Ogden aggregating \$150.

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All Candidates Quit Club President's Race

With the withdrawal of Patsy Healy from the presidential race for the Yacht club, the entire five men recently named have withdrawn from the race and the nominating committee will meet tomorrow to name five new candidates.

A. R. Foulger and J. N. Spargo, candidates for vice president have also withdrawn. S. T. Jeppson a candidate for treasurer withdrew from the race today while two men, E. P. Hundley and A. G. Lightfoot, candidates for directors also withdrew.

The election will take place January 12.

FORTUNE OF CANADIAN STOLEN BY HIS SON

MONTREAL, Dec. 22.—A tragic story of a father's misplaced confidence, which enabled his son to wreck the family fortune during his absence abroad, was based on the witness stand before Justice McLennan in superior court by C. H. Cahlan, K. C., one of Canada's most distinguished lawyers.

The witness told how he had conferred power of attorney on his son, C. H. Cahlan, Jr., while the father was on a European trip, and upon returning found his son had absconded and the family fortune had been wiped out.

Use Fruit Cars to Carry Xmas Parcels

Special mail trains have been placed in operation between Omaha and San Francisco during the rush holiday period, according to Willard G. Wilson, traveling agent for the Southern Pacific. More than thirty cars of parcel post packages have been received in Ogden from the east during the past few days.

Due to the heavy freight traffic, fruit cars have been placed in use, carrying parcel post packages. The present year is the heaviest in the history of the Southern Pacific in handling Christmas mail, according to Mr. Wilson.

TRAIN ROBBERS FOILED IN ATTEMPT ON COAST

MERCED, Cal., Dec. 22.—What railroad men here believe was an attempt to hold up Southern Pacific train No. 59, a northbound through train from Los Angeles, failed here tonight, because a preceding train No. 59, was a few minutes late.

ALLEGED THIEVES FREED

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—George Williams, and Einar Dietrichson, were arrested a week ago for alleged theft of a \$10,000 gold chest from Charles M. Schwab, steel magnate, were discharged today when Mr. Schwab failed to appear to prosecute them.

It was alleged that Dietrichson stole the chest, while employed as a footman in the Schwab home, and that Williams later took it to Berlin, and disposed of it for 1,200 marks.

AMERICAN PLANE MAKES FAST TRIP IN MEXICO

VERA CRUZ, Mexico, Dec. 22.—An American airplane driven by Fernando Phaal, a Mexican aviator, flew from Mexico City to Vera Cruz yesterday, the distance, 235 miles, being made in two hours and 20 minutes. The principal object of the flight was to determine the feasibility of an aerial mail service between Mexico City, Puebla and Vera Cruz.

SHOE MANUFACTURERS WOULD DROP WAGE BONUS

LYNN, Mass., Dec. 22.—A committee of the Lynn shoe manufacturers' association at a conference with the joint council of the United Shoe Workers of America Tuesday asked the shoe workers to agree to elimination of the bonus granted in July last, amounting to approximately 20 per cent increase in wages. The council took the request under advisement.



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